



MAXIMUM OVERKILL



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KLINGON FACTOID:

The theme song for the new TV show, Star Trek: Enterprise, sucks ass.

Bonus: Vorok's battle cruiser was a D-4, not the reused K'tinga CGI model that was used. The producers changed their mind about the design at the last minute, furthering putting another hole in continuity for this show. Thanks A-holes!

Maximum Overkill Special is printed for the entertainment purposes of the crew of **Klingon** chapter, the **IKV Black Demon**. The newsletter, **Maximum Overkill**, used to be printed in black and white with a few hints of grey a few times a year. But with the advent of the internet, it was easier to keep up with members through email, so the concept of a news letter fell by the wayside. If you inclined to send something to contribute to future issues, (such as art, stories, reports, or anything else), we assume you are giving permission for print unless written otherwise.

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FROM THE DESK OF UNCLE KAHN

nuqneH warriors,

I hope this email will find you all in good spirits and doing well during the holiday season. It has been a while since we put out any type of newsletter, I surely miss those days. Anyways, I would like to welcome you all to the new a very special edition of *Maximum Overkill*. What makes this Issue so "very special"?

Well first off, check out the graphics! This was something we could never have achieved on paper without spending an arm and a leg in printing costs. With this design (and maybe a few tweaks here and there) sent out as a PDF, we can all get more of a "klingon" feel when we read through the reports and such.

Second, we need to be aware that this coming April (2012) will mark the 20th anniversary of the launch of the *IKV Black Demon*! As I have mentioned in the past, we officially filed paperwork on April 1st, 1992. Even though we started off in a different club, we have still stayed together through the years and I feel that no matter what club we affiliate ourselves with, we are still a band of friends who have had many fun years hanging out and doing things that interest us.

Speaking of club affiliation, this next subject is a very difficult one for me to address, but I feel that you all need to know. This next year when we celebrate our 20th anniversary, we will be doing it without any club affiliation. Yes, you have read right. Many of you probably received a lengthy explanation to what happened. But if for some reason you didn't get it, I will include a synopsis for those to know what is going on.

With that, I hope you enjoy my yule tide present to you all. Lukara and I are happy to know you all and hope that the holidays bring you welcomed friends at your door step, and may they bear liquid refreshments! I'll see you on the site!

Kahn epetaI-Klag



NEWS FROM THE HIGH COUNCIL

Fellow warriors and crew of the *IKV Black Demon*,

I would like to take a moment to be serious.

A couple of months ago, you may recall that we had a member break off the Chancellor's house and formed a new branch. This caused problems with the High Council because we had no prodical to handle this. The Chancellor requested that a few task forces be created to work on a solution to fix this problem. After months of discussion and debate, the chancellor refused to put any of the solutions up for vote. It was obvious that he didn't want a resolution on the conflict due to his personal involvement with the former house member. More proposals were brought up such as term limits for the Chancellor. Many of you may have received a message indicating that House Klag (one of the founding Houses of The Empire) was leaving the club it built. If you did not receive this message, please contact me and I will send you a copy.

The gist is that the dishonorable Chancellor, in a last ditch effort to keep his control of the club, took it upon himself to turn the club and its holdings over to an LLC for protection. This LLC is owned and operated by this dishonorable person. Furthermore, he implemented a new club restructure that would ultimately keep him in power until he was ready to leave the seat of leader of the club. This act was further proof that this person had no intentions of settling any problems in the club that was fair to its membership and was in retaliation to the vote of recall (that was called for by Drex, epetai of House Snoor for an unrelated charge). Had the vote been allowed to go through, the history of the club would have shown that he was removed from his position. Honestly, the Emperor and I feel that he would have not vacated the seat as this person also controlled the message board for the club.

This person also restructured the councils late at night, removing Houses that he felt were not worthy of holding seats and with his new High Council comprised of his House, a House who had helped him with his plans, and two Houses who opposed him (us and our long time ally, House Khurn) due to our founding status. He then proceeded to act as if business as usual. The dishonorable Chancellor then posted the new club structure without any vote or approval by the High Council. In this new structure, it showed that he held the final say-so in the votes as he deemed himself "protectorate". When this happened, we knew that no matter how we voted, the voice of the membership would never have a chance.

After some talk in a private location, the opposing High Council members (the Emperor and I included) decided that we wanted to no longer be a part of a club that was built to satisfy one man's ego. The letter that many of you received explained the rest. There is a lot of talk about what the next step will be. The Emperor and I have decided that we will take a break from that conversation to focus on House and chapter matters, getting back to what we all enjoyed about fandom, and spend the holidays with our families. After the new year, and a long rest through the holidays, we will discuss our next step. We have been monitoring the shell of our former club and have seen a mass exodus of members who also do not agree with this hostile take over. The only posts are from members patting our former leader on the back and members who only came to the site to talk and not participate in the club and have no idea why they are showing support. All negative posts have been, and will be removed so that the general membership will not notice, but the truth is out. Our former leader has posted many lies about what happened and pointed fingers at just about everyone but himself.

Though we cannot force you, we ask that all *IKV Black Demon* members no longer participate over there. If you feel that there is a question that needs to be answered or would like to speak with fellow Klingon fans, please use our chapter message board. If anyone is approached by someone attempting to recruit, accuse, or being generally harassed, please let myself or the Emperor know and we will put a stop to it. We are not expecting any problems, but we wanted to mention this to you all. We don't like playing politics and enjoy fandom for the costuming and fellowship that it brings.

The Emperor and I are both sorry to have to report on this, but as council members we tried in vain to get this person out of power so that we could repair the club's image that this *petaQ* tarnished over the years with his paranoia. The truth is the chancellor should NEVER hold the power of the website while in office. For the first time in the club's history, we discommended a member, his name will never be spoken of and if it is heard, may you feel inclined to spit on the ground. Absolute power corrupts, absolutely.

(former) Vice Chancellor Kahn epetai-Klag
CO *IKV Black Demon*
The ship High Commands hates to acknowledge.



UP FOR VOTE

Fellow warriors, on the second page of this newsletter, you found out that the club that we were part of from the beginning has been dissolved due to one man's ego. As captain of the *IKV Black Demon* I have requested that our name and roster be stricken from any future plans the former Chancellor has for "his" club. This leaves us with the ultimate question:

"What do we do now?"

On our website, ikvblackdemon.webs.com, you can cast your vote on the next chapter of the *IKV Black Demon*. The questions are:

Do we become an independent chapter?

Do we look for a worthy club to join?

Do we dissolve the chapter after the 20th anniversary?

Do we become the flagship for House Klag?

Please, do your part and join in on the discussion on our website. It would be a waste to let this one asshole ruin our fandom experience. No matter what we choose to do, we will always be in service to the Klingon Empire and will continue to enjoy dressing as warriors and having the times of our lives. This seems to be an issue in fandom at the moment. Many people just don't know what it's like to have fun in costume. Not like it used to be back in the 90's.

So go to the website and join in on the discussions and when the time comes for a vote, I hope you cast yours accordingly.

QAPLA!



HERE'S TO 20 YEARS

nuqneH crew, can you believe that we have lasted this long? We have lived through two clubs, countless members, parties, outings, conventions, meeting locations, and not to mention exposure (decent and in) on local television and we have had fun the whole time. I would love to see the *IKV Black Demon* go on forever, but one day, we'll have to retire. That day is not today. It will be hard to keep new membership up with the interest level of Star Trek waning (due to Paramount not producing anymore TV shows). True, we have the new JJ Abrams movie, but the scenes with the Klingons were removed (thank Kahless, the redesign sucked).

Since many of us have moved away and we pretty much stopped having public meetings years ago, I would like to propose that we co-ordinate when we can attempt to hold multiple parties via skype (like last time). If anyone wants to come out west where we live, we could have a star watching party with the local feedies out on the ranch. More information will be available on our website's message board. I look forward to seeing your comments.



KAI KASSAI!!

AVAYA

AWAY MISSIONS

Away Mission 1:



reenactments of one of Kahless' many deeds. A full report will be given on our site.

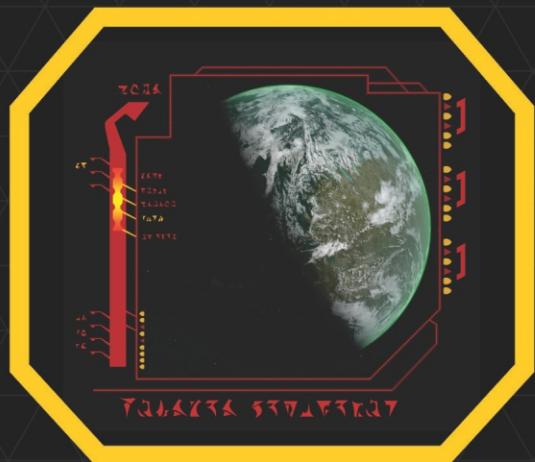
Away Mission 2:

Recently, the Emperor acquired a small class M moon in the Hek Tar sector of the empire's territory. The Emperor has asked for a survey to be performed of the land and that geological samples are taken so that he can decide what we would like to do with it. The IKV Black Demon will break regular our patrol route to survey for the Emperor.

When asked how this planetoid was acquired, the Emperor chuckled about being a longtime champion of the game, "The Eyes of Kahless" and that "having a thick skull paid off in the end." The Emperor was asked what he expects to find, his response was

"There are rich deposits in Baakonite in the southern hemisphere, which would be good for a settlement or two, along with a mining operation. I am hopeful that if this mineral is present, the House armory will triple in size. There is also a small vein of Dilithium that's centralized along the equator that winds a crooked path into both hemispheres. I am also expecting some wild game, but if the quantities are too low to hunt, I am willing to consider shipping more in to create a preserve. Since this moon is close to the station's position and within a short distance of the patrol of the *IKV Black Demon*, I may allow House epetal, Kahn, to stake his claim on this as I have enough properties scattered about the empire's territory to take care of. I know he has been looking for mountainous terrain to build a new hunting lodge. Perhaps it's time for him to have his own place for escape from "the drudges of the High Council."

The Emperor ended that sentence with a hearty laugh as he took a swig from his mug. In the next few days, there will be preparation for the mission by compiling the equipment and plotting landing locations. I have been in contact with the previous owner as he has now recovered from the game he and the Emperor shared.



TECHIE NEWS:

Google+ (aka G+)

I wanted to let many of you know that there is a new feature the Google is offering called Google +.

DO NOT USE IT.

It's a long story on why, but it boils down that Google wants members of G+ to use their real names. If they find that you are providing a false name (they figure it out somehow), they will erase your account and any gmail or Google account you use (again they have some way). Since I use my "LukaraKlag" email for Klingon related subjects, I don't like use my real name (Kahn either). So I have opted to continue that and I have dropped my G+ account. Now by doing this I won't lose any of my other Google services (Gmail, groups, etc.) which is good because I am taking IT classes and has been utilizing Google's offerings and I would like to report that we can easily use a lot of these other features for ourselves. There will be a discussion opened up on the *Black Demon* message board when we start to go deeper into all the options it has to offer.

But mainly I wanted to alert you all of the danger of losing your Google account. If you have a G+ account and want to know how to get out of it without losing your other features, contact me and I will gladly get you some instructions on doing so.

Facebook:

The *IKV Black Demon* has presence on Facebook (FB)!

The Emperor, Unkle Kahn, K'Bob, and I have accounts with FB and are in a private group created for chapter members. We mainly try to keep the majority of our activities on our chapter site, but it was felt that we needed to have a presence in the current social media to keep our name out there for potential members to find.

Tech Support:

I have set up a tech support area on our chapter message board for anyone having problems uploading images to the site, posting, or any other problems you might have with the site or your home computer. As I said, I am currently pursuing my IT degree from the Imperial College and would be willing to help out chapter members who are having any problems.



Lady Lukara of House Klag
Civilian Technician

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AFTERTHOUGHTS

First off, I want to thank all of you for your participation over the years, it has been a grand adventure in life. I have enjoyed bringing my Klingon character to life as Unkle Kahn has been the person I wish I could be in the real world. But, there have been times in my life, with work or being confronted with a problem, when I would ask myself "What would Kahn do in this situation?" Kahn has given me not only strength, but also an outlet. Seeing each of you in character is equally as exciting to know as the real people who play those characters.

Second, while I morn the loss of the once great club, The Empire, I will still enjoy the strong friendships I have bound with you and many other people around the world. Those bonds will never be broken, that is unless you back stab me or destroy the club I poured countless hours of my free time and artwork into.

Finally, I wish I could have a drink with each and every one of you before I travel the river of blood to *sto-vo-kor*. All of you have been a part of my life in one way or another and I would like to celebrate that just like a noble Klingon warrior would.
KAI!

Unkle Kahn

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BACK ISSUES

I know many of you have bought back issues in the past and I thank you all for your interests. The offer is still available to anyone who want a physical copy of pretty much the history of the *IKV Black Demon*. There is some good news for you tightwads out there, with our current website (ikvblackdemon.webs.com) we have the option to upload files, PDF being one of the options. Now, since this is a free site, I am sure that I won't be able to upload the whole library of *Maximum Overkill* to the site. I do know that if I purchase the site, our storage space will leap to a bigger size and that will be room to post the whole library for you to download and print at home! The current incarnation will have to stay to a small size due to the restrictions that Google has set for files (20 megs), and these high quality graphics eat up space. But with a purchased site, we'll be able to host them and the back log of M.O. for everyone to enjoy. Check our message board for a longer conversation.

